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Subject: Please stop the funding for SVIRWI Proposal

Hello,

I am a local water quality biologist following the NCWA/Butte County/JPA water management discussions and would like to request that you STOP the funding for the Sacramento Valley Integrated Regional Water Implementation Proposal.

There is a ground-swell of opposition in Butte county to stop this project, and information dissemination workshops are forming all around the county. NCWA and the JPA do not represent Butte County interests and I believe have no authority to develop a plan for protecting those that stand to be most impacted by haphazardly pumping ground water (especially for water transfer purposes).

I attended the Butte County Board of Supervisor's meeting last October where members of the public, lawyers, those directly dependent on ground water for their livelihood, and the Butte County Water Commission voiced their concerns and advised the Board of Supervisor's to NOT support this proposal or the plan developed by NCWA, which was developed without input from those that would be most impacted. I was surprised and

dismayed to learn that the Water Commission had not reviewed Butte County's proposal prior to it being submitted, and have ask for clarification on the county's approval process for submitting proposals.

I am aware inadequate assessments of the existing conditions of the hydrologic flow regime were made during the development of NCWA's plan to adequately protect the aquifer if pumping begins and would like to know if DWR will be responsible for the damage as it occurs.

Personally, I believe it is inappropriate to use public funds for the development of private water export wells, which is the bulk of what this project represents, and shameful on your part to proceed in establishing these wells without having adequate baseline data to support ground water protection measures once these wells ultimately begin pumping.

**Sincerely,
Timmarie Hamill**

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Please stop the funding for:

**Sacramento Valley Integrated
Regional Water Implementation
Proposal!**